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SALVATION ARMY LEADERSHIP

THE DECISION

HIGH COUNCIL TO SEE THE GENERAL

SENSATION CREATED

London, Yesterday.
Without a dissentient vote the High Council of the Salvation Army to-day decided to ask General Booth to retire from the leadership of the Army.

Seven members of the Council will see the General in his sick room at Southwold, in Suffolk, and convey to him the decision of the Council contained in the following resolution:

"That the Council places on record its high appreciation of the life and labours of the General and joins with him in gratitude to God for his partial restoration to health and expresses the hope that this improvement may be maintained. The Council is, however, unable to see the practicability of the suggestion made by the General that a council of five should be appointed to act until he is well again and realises that it is most unlikely that at the General's advanced age he can ever recover sufficiently again to take up the burdens under which he has collapsed. It, therefore, takes the opportunity of requesting him to co-operate with the council in securing the future welfare of the Army and to that end resolves that the General, being as his doctors declare, capable of considering important questions and giving decisions, the president, vice-president, and five members of High Council be deputed to see the General and suggest that he should now retire from office, retaining his title of General and continuing to enjoy honours and dignities attaching thereto."

The Head

General Bramwell Booth has been head of Salvation Army since 1912. He was the oldest son of the late General William Booth, the founder of the Army and was nominated by the old General as his successor. The living General, according to the present constitution of the Army, nominates his successor and leaves his name in a sealed envelope for revelation after his death.

General Bramwell Booth has been very seriously ill for some months at his home in Southwold, so ill indeed that it was not thought politic to tell him that the High Council had been called to consider the position created by his illness.—British Wireless Service.

Reuter's telegram states:

The Salvation Army Commissioners have declined to confirm to Reuter the report that they have received a letter from General Booth appointing a new council, consisting of Commissioner Higgins, Evangeline and Catherine Booth and two others, to administer the affairs of the Army instead of him. It is pointed out that, under the constitution of the Army, once the High Council is in session neither the General nor anyone else is empowered to make any appointment for the administration of Army affairs, and such a council as suggested would have no authority even if established.

Official Communiqué

A Salvation Army communiqué issued later states that after the reception of the letter from the General, the High Council resolved to submit to him a resolution, passed by the Council without a dissentient vote, recording their high appreciation of his life and labours.

They join him in gratitude to God for his partial restoration to health and hope that the improvement will be maintained, but the Council is unable to see the practicability of the suggestion of General Booth, realising that it is very unlikely at his advanced age that he can recover sufficiently to take up the burdens under which he collapsed.

"Sensational"

The disclosure of the nature of General Booth's letter is all the more sensational to-day because the Salvation Army communiqué yesterday evening merely mentioned that a letter had been received and gave no hinting of the con-

INCOMPETENT GIRL TYPISTS

OFFICIAL REPORT

EXAMINERS FAIL THREE OUT OF EVERY FOUR

NO MARKS AT ALL

An extraordinary amount of interest among girl typists who present themselves for jobs in Whitehall offices is disclosed by the report of the examiners to the Civil Service Commission.

It shows that of the 930 girls who sat for the recent examination, no fewer than 708 failed, and only 228 passed. Some of the results were surprising. For instance:

Shorthand.—Hundreds of the girls could not read their shorthand notes, although the test passages were only dictated at the exceptionally slow rate of sixty and eighty words a minute. Over 100 girls obtained no marks at all, of the possible 150, and several obtained only three, four, or five marks. Only ten girls out of the 900—one out of every ninety—obtained full marks.

Typewriting.—Although the speed required was only thirty words per minute, nearly 180 girls failed to get a single mark, and many obtained only two, three, four and five marks out of the possible 200.

Arithmetic.—Five simple sums were set, and the candidates were provided with a paper giving them their multiplication and weights and measures of mensuration tables in case they had forgotten them. But of the possible 100 marks, many girls got "nil" and eighty-two got less than quarter marks. Only forty-one out of the 900 odd got full marks.

French.—This was an optional subject, but some of those who entered failed lamentably. Out of the 150 full marks, one girl obtained only five, and several had only fourteen, fifteen, sixteen and eighteen.

STOLEN \$25

CONSTABLE ORDERED TO RETURN THE MONEY

Both the complainant and defendant of the case in which an Indian constable, who was alleged to have stolen \$25 from a sepoy of the Punjab Regiment, were severely reprimanded by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

In summing up, the Magistrate said he believed that the defendant did go to the Whitfield barracks and that he had referred to the debt before he went there. It was a disgrace to the Police Force that he had acted as he did.

The \$25 was ordered to be returned to the complainant and the defendant was discharged.

tants, while the communiqué gave the text of a telegram from the General in reply to a message of greetings from the Council: "I thank you for your telegram and fully reciprocate all you say. May God guide you and bless you all and your homes.

Yours affectionately,

Bramwell Booth."

The Deputation

Later.

The Salvationist deputation to General Booth comprises Commissioner Cunningham, the International European Secretary, Hay of New Zealand, Mitchell of Sweden, Brengle of the United States, Lieut. Commissioners Haynes, Managing Director of the Salvation Army Assurance Society, Yamamoto, Japan, and Colonel Mrs. Trounce of India.

Impressive Scene

A communiqué from Sunbury Court says the High Council adjourned this afternoon to give the deputation an opportunity of visiting General Booth, after singing the hymn "Oh God, our help."

The letter to the General was couched in affectionate terms and was laid on the President's table.

An impressive silent ceremony followed, as the 56 members of the Council present walked up, and signed the historic document.

A veritable "sacrament" was the summing up of one commission.

The Council resembles a Jan-

YANG SEN DRAWS HIS ADVERSARY

WINNER OR LOSER?

FEINT, RETIRE, DETOUR AND THEN ATTACK

80 MILES FROM OBJECTIVE

After a week's persistent news that General Yang Sen, the stormy petrel of Szechuan province (in the west of China Proper), had been decisively defeated and was on the run, a report to hand to-day points to exactly the opposite being the case.

Yang Sen was first said to have advanced up the Yangtze River, westward, with the Treaty port of Chungking (held by General Liu Hsiang) as his objective. Liu Hsiang mined the river and counter-attacked. That was supposed to have been the end of it because Yang Sen turned tail and fled.

A Royal Navy communiqué of Wednesday's date conveys intelligence gleaned from Wanhsien, a port below Chungking and, at the commencement of hostilities, held by Yang Sen.

War Barons Rise

Yang Sen is now understood to have retired, not retreated, indeed (i.e., north westward, away from the Yangtze) to Liangshan. His move, apparently, caused Liu Hsiang to venture down-river. Then Yang Sen detoured, having separated Liu Hsiang's forces and placed himself in a position to swoop down on them.

The latest news is that Yang Sen's men have advanced from Liangshan and passed overland through Chusien, en route to Shumking, on a tributary of the Yangtze, in the very heart of Szechuan, whence, ostensibly, to converge on Liu Hsiang's main base at Chungking.

Colour is lent to this reported reversal in fortunes of war by intimations that several minor war-barons (who were supposed to have promised Yang Sen aid and failed him), such as Lo Tee-chow, Li Che-cho and Chen Tsao-lung, are joining Yang Sen now that he has outflanked Liu Hsiang, hitherto deemed to be the victor.

PTE. JAMES BOYLE

FURTHER STATEMENT TO THE MAGISTRATE

THE NEXT STEP

Private James Boyle, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, made another appearance before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy, in connection with the charge against him of attempted murder of Sergeant A. Kerr, of the same regiment on board H.M. transport "Somersetshire" on the night of October 19-20, 1928, whilst on the high seas between Aden and Colombo.

Detective Inspector Lane reported to the Magistrate that a reply had been received to the cable sent by the police inquiring when Kerr would be sufficiently well to make the trip to Hong Kong. The telegram from Colombo reported that following his recovery cabled last week, Kerr had again been placed on the danger list. It added that even if he recovered, it would not be possible for the Sergeant to proceed to Hong Kong until November.

November?

The Magistrate expressed surprise at the mention of November and suggested that it must be a misprint.

Inspector Lane said that it might be, but that on the other hand it might mean that the military authorities would not have a transport available for Kerr to take passage in until November. He added that he had consulted with Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, Assistant Attorney-General, and the latter suggested that should Kerr not be in Hong Kong by February 9, Boyle might be committed to the February Criminal Sessions, on the evidence already placed before the Court.

His Worship agreed, remarking that that was a reasonable course to take, and informed Boyle that if he were committed to the February sessions, he would have to face the present charges against him, namely, attempted murder and attempted manslaughter.

Boyle would be formally remanded by the Worshipful Court week to week.

A week's formal remand was then

LABOUR OUTBREAK IN CALCUTTA

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FIVE ARRESTS

Calcutta, Yesterday. Six mill commissioners and a woman were injured and a European manager slightly injured in a disturbance at the Chak Jute Mill, a little town of Jhotapet, on the edge of Mexico's famous Lake Chapala.

The mill has been closed and 6,000 hands have been made idle. Five arrests were made. The communist agitator, Spratt, was present on the scene of the disturbance.

STILL FINE

N. E. winds, moderate, fine, is the forecast until noon tomorrow.

The anti-cyclone has weakened and is now central between Shanghai and Nagasaki.

There are no indications of a typhoon in the south China Sea this morning.

The monsoon will moderate over the N. China Sea.

Typhoon Warning

The following telegram was received from the Manila Observatory at 9.30 a.m. to-day:— 4.00 p.m. 10th, Warning: The typhoon is crossing the Visayas Islands in the form of a shallow depression.

OVERBOARD!

CHINESE JUMPS FROM "SUI AN"

LEAVES A LETTER

In a letter to the police yesterday, the master of the ss. "Sui An" reported that at about 9 a.m. on Tuesday, while the vessel was abreast of Potung Island on the way to Macao, a Chinese passenger suddenly jumped overboard.

The ship was stopped immediately the alarm was given and the man was located in the water, but before help could reach him, he sank and was not seen again, although the ship remained some minutes at the scene of the tragedy.

From a letter left behind by the drowned man which was picked up on the deck, it was discovered that his name was Chan Su (21), a wireless operator, living at No. 8, Prince's terrace, off Calpe-road.

In the letter the young man disclosed his intention to commit suicide but did not give any reason for the act. The leader of the bandits replied by firing two revolver shots and ordering his men to gallop off. They dashed away at full speed and were soon lost in the mountains.

Some hours elapsed before two companies of Federal troops and a machine-gun detachment set off in pursuit. Nothing has yet been heard, however, of the bandits or their captives.

GIRLS SEIZED BY BANDITS

CINEMA RAID

24 CARRIED OFF AND HALL DYNAMITED

AUDIENCE ROBBED

Twenty-four girls have been kidnapped and carried off to the mountains as the result of an audacious raid by bandits on the little town of Jhotapet, on the edge of Mexico's famous Lake Chapala.

It is generally conceded in Buckingham Palace circles that the King was at last taken a definite turn for the better. He continues on the upgrade and it is apparent that he is slowly regaining his health.

The recent improvement, although extremely slow, is not slower than was anticipated.

The following bulletin was issued at 8.15 this evening.

London, Yesterday. From a British wireless message we learn that it is authoritatively stated that H.M. the King was carried off to the mountains as the result of an audacious raid by bandits on the little town of Jhotapet, on the edge of Mexico's famous Lake Chapala.

Messages received in New York from Mexico City show that the coup was carried out with amazing daring, even for Mexico, where organised defiance of law and order is by no means uncommon.

The Mayor and a few soldiers attempted to check the marauders, but they easily overcame the resistance. The Town Hall was set on fire and destroyed with dynamite.

The gang, numbering nearly a hundred mounted and armed desperadoes, then surrounded the cinema and forbade any of those within to leave under pain of instant death.

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The cost will be \$4.00 per head exclusive of wines.

Members desirous of being present are requested to send in their names as soon as possible and not later than Monday, 21st instant to:

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Hong Kong, 9th Jan. 1929.

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Hong Kong, 15th Dec. 1928.

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On View from Sunday, the 13th January, 1929.

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1 Bale Carpets.

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LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers, Hong Kong, 11th Jan. 1929.

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A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

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BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.
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CHICAGO MARU Tuesday, 5th February.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
BORNEO MARU Friday, 18th January.
SEATTLE MARU Friday, 1st February.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports From Shanghai.
PARIS MARU Wednesday, 16th January.
ARABIA MARU Tuesday, 22nd January.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.
HIMALAYA MARU Wednesday, 6th February.
HAIPHONG—Via Hanoi.
MENADO MARU Thursday, 17th January 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
HAMBURG MARU Middle of January.
JAPAN PORTS.
AMAZON MARU Tuesday, 15th January.
SOURAEAYA MARU Wednesday, 23rd January.
GANGET MARU Friday, 25th January.
KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
HOZAN MARU Sunday, 13th January Noon.
CANTON MARU Sunday, 20th January Noon.
TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
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The annual report of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co. shows a credit balance on the year's accounts, including \$118,326 brought forward from last year, of \$923,029, against \$918,001 in the previous year.

"There are signs of improvement in trade," says the report, "but the labour situation in Australia in September and October gave a set-back in that country, as has so often been the case before. With the accession to power again of Mr. Bruce, the Prime Minister, it is hoped that what has been tantamount to a negation of law will now cease.

"Trade with China continues to suffer by the unsettled condition of affairs in that country. The company shares with the mercantile community, both British and Chinese, the hope which found expression in the King's speech at the opening of Parliament, that the efforts which China is making to establish a government will succeed, and with the cessation of civil war, better trade conditions may be expected to ensue.

"The business with India is without special feature, but the export trade of the country shows a general increase in almost all the principal items, and the exports to Europe have doubled.

"The company's passenger traffic continues to be maintained both out and home. Our allied lines have aided materially in the year's results.

"The directors explained in last year's report that the Insurance Fund for outside insurance had been closed, but that the account remained open till all outstanding risks had been met. At the end of the financial year the amount at credit of this fund was £3,073,278, which is treated as a liability. There are still some claims to pay, but it is anticipated when these have been liquidated in the course of the current or year following the fund will stand at about £3,000,000."

In conclusion the report says, "We greatly regret to have to record the death in July last of Mr. Allan Hughes, the chairman of the New Zealand and Federal companies. He was a most capable administrator, and ever since the P. & O. Company acquired these lines worked wholeheartedly for their interests and for those of the P. & O. Company. He has been succeeded in the chair, with the concurrence of the P. & O. Board, by Mr. C. J. Cowan, who has been at his right hand for many years, and will, the board are convinced, prove a worthy successor, and one whom Mr. Hughes would without doubt have been pleased to see in the position Mr. Cowan now occupies."

The report was submitted to the proprietors at the 88th ordinary general meeting held at the Company's offices on Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1928, at 11 a.m.

LOSS OF THE CARIBOO
East London.—The Court of Inquiry into the sinking of the steamer "Cariboo," which founded on Nov. 24 after striking a submerged rock 40 miles southwest of East London, is satisfied that no blame attaches to the master and other officers for the loss of the ship.

TOTAL TONNAGE

LIVERPOOL AND BIRKENHEAD IMPROVEMENTS

MERSEY DOCK MEETING

That things are improving in the direction of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co. is shown by the fact that the total tonnage of vessels entering the docks at Liverpool and Birkenhead during the present year was 15,246,121 tons, the greatest tonnage ever dealt with except last year when enormous quantities of foreign coal were imported during the coal strike.

This was one of the statements made by Mr. Richard D. Holt, the Chairman of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, when presenting the accounts at the annual meeting in December.

He stated that the revenue from rates and dues, the main revenue of the Board, remains at the same figure as that of last year, apart from the abnormal revenue due to importations of coal. This was not unsatisfactory when it was realised that one single item, raw cotton, showed a falling off of £2,000 on imports and of £3,000 on exports, the total amount imported falling from 688,834 tons to 483,871 tons.

WOOLLENS RISE
As stocks held in Liverpool declined during the year from 1,291,730 bales to 757,910 bales the reduction in imports did not indicate any corresponding inactivity in the manufacture of cotton, and this was confirmed by the fact that the exports of cotton manufactures through Liverpool had only fallen from 1,626,533 packages to 1,580,223 packages, with a loss of revenue of \$1,114. Against this the exports of woollen manufactures had risen from 64,026 packages to 102,577 packages, with a gain in revenue of \$318.

The surplus on the warehouse account showed an improvement of \$14,589, and the net result was that they would place the full \$2,000 to the sinking fund and add \$23,669 to the unappropriated receipts account.

The Gladstone Dock, which is the largest in the world, was completed during the year, said Mr. Holt. The system was appropriated to the full extent permissible, if anything was to be reserved for chance vessels, and work was going on most satisfactorily. There had been, as a consequence, a considerable re-arrangement of berthing throughout the estate and many lines had obtained improved accommodation, and the Board was in position to find accommodation for new enterprises.

EXTENDING INDUSTRIES
In the annual report of the Liverpool organization, which deals with industrial and other trade developments in the city, it is stated that, during the past twelve months, ten new industrial enterprises have been established in Liverpool. In some cases there are also large extensions of existing businesses. Premises which were vacant at the beginning of the year are now being used for such purposes as cold storage insulation, the manufacture of cork slabs, motor body building, and the manufacture of refrigerating machinery. The largest tin smelting works in the country has been established in Bootle, and at Aintree two large factories, one for the production of tin boxes, enamelware, etc., and the other for the manufacture of all classes of galvanised ware, are at the present moment being erected. One of these factories occupies a site of 16 acres.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.
The B. I. ss. "Thawa" left Singapore for this port on Jan. 7 at 7 p.m., and is due here on Saturday morning.

The Ben Line ss. "Benkracke" from Middlesbrough, London Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on Jan. 17.

The M.V. "Nippon" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Durban on Dec. 24, and is due here on or about Jan. 31.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" R/W/O Grimes arrived at Bombay yesterday morning, leaves Bombay on Jan. 17 at 8 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on Feb. 18 at a.m.

Projected departures from Hong Kong of steamers under the management of the Bank Line Ltd. are as follows:

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ALIFORE	5,273	24th Jan. Straits, Colombo & Bombay.	
MOREA	10,953	2nd Feb. Bombay, Marseilles & London.	
KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Feb. Straits, Colombo & Bombay.	
KASHGAR	9,005	10th Feb. M'sailles, C'blanca, L'don & Hull.	
MACEDONIA	11,120	2nd Mar. M'sailles, London.	
PADUA	5,007	9th Mar. M'sailles, London, A'werp, R'dam & Hamburg.	

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TILAWA	10,006	4th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKLWA	7,038	13th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKADA	6,049	18th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALAMBA	3,013	17th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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TANDA	6,056	1st Mar.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Mar.	

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TILAWA	10,000	14th Jan.	Amyo, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	18th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKEI	5,000	24th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKLWA	7,038	20th Jan.	Amyo, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TAKADA	6,049	25th Jan.	Amyo, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MACEDONIA	11,120	Feb.	Amyo, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,056	5th Feb.	Amyo, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALAMBA	8,018	8th Feb.	Amyo, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHIVA	9,135	15th Feb.	Amyo, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	18th Feb.	Amyo, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MALVA	10,986	1st Mar.	Amyo, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NAGPORE	5,283	4th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	5th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	8th Mar.	Shanghai.
NALDERA	16,088	16th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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REPLY TO COOLIDGE

(Continued from Page 3.)

Thus, instead of a pre-War debit of \$200 million America, as a consequence of the War, has found herself with a credit of \$1,860 million. Add to this Allied War debts to the amount of \$2,300 million, and we find her pre-War indebtedness transformed to a credit balance of no less than \$4,160 million, a turnover of \$4,500 million. (These figures are necessarily calculated, with a considerable margin of error, but are approximately accurate.)

One item in the conversion of America from a debtor to a creditor nation should be taken into special consideration, namely, the sale of American securities by Great Britain during the War. The British Government sold over £200 million, and the U.S. Department of Commerce has estimated that British citizens individually sold a further £300 million.

Help from "Ancient Nations" Yet in the face of all these facts and figures—most of them taken from American official documents—President Coolidge finds it possible to declare that "nothing is farther from the truth" than that America has made a profit out of the War.

There is an irony (certainly unconscious) in the President's admission in his oration, that "two should pursue our course with due gratitude for the important contributions of the more ancient nations which have helped to make possible our present progress and our future hope." Great Britain, by entering the War three years before the United States, and by pledging her credit for American loans to herself and her allies for War purposes, has certainly "made possible," indeed, been primarily responsible for America's financial progress.

There is one other point in the President's speech which reveals not less clearly the lack of understanding between him and ourselves which he deplores. I speak of his references to naval armaments. Before replying specifically to his comments, I ask my readers to throw their minds back to the first years

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Titan via Stow & Shet.	HOPSANG	Wed. 23rd Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai, Moli & Kobe	FOOKSANG	Sat. 12th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moli & Kobe	YUENSANG	Sat. 19th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Strait & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Sat. 12th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Strait & Calcutta	SUISANG	Sat. 26th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Sun. 13th Jan. at 10 a.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Sat. 19th Jan. at 3 p.m.
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This is an extract from one of many eulogistic appreciations given on William Heughan and his undoubtedly remarkable art. All who have not yet had the opportunity of hearing him should make a point of doing so at his concerts being given in the Theatre Royal on January 21 and 22.

BUTTONS

AMUSING AND EXCITING STORY OF THE SEA

Jackie Coogan, as the hero of a dramatic adventure at sea, comes to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday and Monday, in "Buttons," his latest Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production.

The story tells the fascinating struggle of a waif to go to sea, and his breath-taking adventures, once he accomplishes his ambition, aboard a gigantic ocean liner on which he is the official page boy. His boyish adoration is centered on the captain, who carries his little sweetheart on a journey across the sea. How Jackie discovers her disloyalty and circumvents it, bringing disgrace and punishment on himself, makes a thrilling picture with more than its share of humour and some poignant situations that grip the heart. Many notable actors appear in the supporting cast among them being Lars Hansen, Gertrude Olmsted and Roy D'Acre.

"ON YOUR TOES"

SPLENDID ACTION COMEDY AT WORLD

Reginald Denny's splendid comedy "On Your Toes" will be shown at the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow. Grandma does not want her boy to get mixed up with the prize ring, but blood eventually tells. Even as a dancing master and although Grandma does her best to make her boy into a peaceful individual, the knock-out punch shows itself. The story develops with the training for the championship fight, eventually the great grudge battle and at the end the girl waiting for the new champion.

HAROLD LLOYD

THRILLS AND LAUGHS IN "SAFETY LAST"

Twelve stories above the ground, clinging desperately to the side of the building is Harold Lloyd. The crowd below, at first amused but soon frightened, watch breathlessly while the bespectacled comedian continues his perilous climb, overcoming the most difficult obstacles in a hilarious manner.

This is just one of the many thrilling and amusing scenes in "Safety Last" which is to be shown to-day and to-morrow at the Star Theatre. Harold Lloyd is at his best. He has a huge bag of tricks up his sleeves and a recklessness in facing danger that is amazing. "Safety Last" has been shown in Hong Kong before, but many who have already seen it will undoubtedly go again.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS

"CORNWALL" OUT BACK NEXT WEEK

H.M.S. "Cornwall," of the 5th Cruiser Squadron, arrived at Amoy yesterday from Shanghai and is due back in Hong Kong on Jan. 14.

H.M.S. "Petersfield" arrived at Canton, on Wednesday, from Hong Kong. H.M.S. "Foxley" left Wei-hai-wei yesterday for Shanghai. H.M.S. "Magnolia" arrived at Wei-hai-wei yesterday from Tsinling.

THE VOLUNTEERS

CORPS ORDERS ISSUED FOR THE WEEK

TRAINING CIRCULARS

Orders of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, issued to-day for the week, read as follows:

Machine Gun Field Firing Competition.—The competition was won by No. 1 Platoon with an average of 5.9.

The three next best averages are published for information:

Motor Cycle Section 4.5.
No. 2 Platoon 4.3.
No. 6 Platoon 4.2.

The Commandant congratulates Lieut. H. Owen Hughes and all ranks of No. 1 Platoon on their win and the other units on their close finish.

Conference.—A conference of all Officers will be held at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Machine Gun Instruction under Subsection Commanders who are responsible for warning all members of their subsection for this parade. Dress: Overalls.

Officers' Mess Meeting.—The Annual Meeting of the Officers' Mess will take place on Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 5.45 p.m.

All officers will attend.

Sergeants' Mess Meeting.—There will be a Sergeants' Mess Meeting on Thursday, Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. All members are expected to attend.

Field Day

On Sunday, Jan. 20, 1929 a field firing tactical exercise will be carried out at Fanling in which all units of the Corps will participate. All ranks are requested to keep the day open.

Attendance at this field day will count as one day in camp.

Os. C. Units will submit probable numbers attending by 12 noon on Friday (Jan. 18, 1929).

Musketry

The Reserve Company and No. 1 Platoon will fire Part II Table "T" at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, Jan. 19, 1929.

Range Officer: Lieut. H. Owen Hughes.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Musketry order i.e. rifle, belt, bayonet, braces and pouches. Uniform or mufti optional.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, Jan. 11, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon or 2 and 4 p.m. or 5 and 6 p.m. and on Saturday, Jan. 12, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

This is the last day allotted to the Reserve Company and No. 1 Platoon.

Training Circulars

Training Circulars Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of 1929 have been issued to all Os. C. Units on Jan. 9, 1929.

Musketry Programme: January—May, 1929 Table "T" Parts I and II at Stonecutters Range.

Sunday, Jan. 27. The Battery and Reserve Company.

Sunday, Feb. 3. Engineer Company and Corps Signals.

Sunday, Feb. 10. Chinese New Year Holiday.

Sunday, Feb. 17. M. I. and A. C. Companies.

Sunday, Feb. 24. Machine Gun Company.

Sunday, March 3. Scottish Company.

Sunday, March 10. Portuguese Company.

Sunday, March 17. The Battery and Reserve Company.

Sunday, March 24. Engineer Company and Corps Signals.

Sunday, March 31. Rifle Meeting.

Monday, April 1. Rifle Meeting.

Sunday, April 7. M. I. and A. C. Companies.

Sunday, April 14. Machine Gun Company.

Sunday, April 21. Scottish Company.

Sunday, April 28. Portuguese Company.

Sunday, May 5. Casuals.

Sunday, May 12. Casuals.

Sunday, May 19. Casuals.

Corps Band

Full Band Practices for the G.O.C.'s Inspection will be held at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. sharp as hereunder, dress mufti:

Friday, Jan. 11—Lecture Room under Corps Bandmaster.

Tuesday, Jan. 15—Lecture Room under Corps Bandmaster.

Wednesday, Jan. 16—Parade Ground, marching and playing under Regular Instructor.

Band Sergeant will arrange to draw New Corps Badges now available, for use on Card Pouches, on Friday, Jan. 11.

Engineer Co.

The Engineer Company will attend Camp on Saturday, Jan. 19 and Sunday, Jan. 20, 1929 at Pak-shawan, in accordance with programme. Details will be issued separately.

All ranks of the Company are equated to communicate with C.S.M. R. J. Everest at once definitely stating if they are able to attend or not.

Corps Signals

Monday, Jan. 14, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction. Dress: Mufti.

Mounted Infantry Co.

Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for M. G. Instruction. Dress: Mufti.

ARMoured Car Co.

Car Section. Fridays, Jan. 11 and 18, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for run around the Island in the Armoured Car.

Monday, Jan. 14, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for M. G. Instruction. Dress: Mufti.

Motor Cycle Section. Monday, Jan. 14, 1929. All ranks parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Machine Gun Instruction.

Field Day. Sunday, Jan. 20, 1929. It is hoped that every member will make a point of attending. Motor Cycle outfits will be in charge of L/Cpls. Rogers and Thomas.

Machine Gun Co.

The Company will parade as strong as possible at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Machine Gun Instruction under Subsection Commanders who are responsible for warning all members of their sub-section for this parade. Dress: Overalls.

Musketry Part II. The last opportunity for all members of the Company to fire in order to be efficient is Sunday Jan. 13 at Stonecutters Range.

Ranging. Range Officer: Lieut. H. Owen Hughes. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and calls at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m. and arms may be drawn on Friday, Jan. 11, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m. or 5 and 6 p.m. and on Saturday, Jan. 12 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Dress: Uniform or mufti optional, but braces and pouches, rifle, belt, and bayonet must be taken.

Field Day Jan. 20. It is hoped that all ranks of the Company will turn up and so ensure a successful exercise. Full particulars will be given on parade on Tuesday, Jan. 15.

Scottish Co.

Thursday, Jan. 17, 1929. Platoons will parade at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun instruction, dress mufti, as follows:

Nos. 5 and 7 Platoon at Corps Headquarters.

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock.

Portuguese Co.

Friday, Jan. 18, 1929. The Company will parade as strong as possible at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters.

Clothing and Equipment. All those who are deficient of any Clothing and Equipment will report to the Company Quartermaster Sergeant on Friday, Jan. 18, 1929.

Reserve Co.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1929 for Machine Gun Instruction.

Dress: Mufti.

Musketry Part II. The attention of all ranks is drawn to this Corps Order para. 6 regarding Part II to be fired by the Company on Sunday, Jan. 13, 1929.

Transfers

The following Officers are permitted to transfer to the Reserve of Officers, as from 1. 1. 29.

Major R. Melville Smith, M. B. E. from Engineer Company.

Lieut. R. L. Moncrieff from Armoured Car Company.

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2/Lieut. A. K. Mackenzie, from Scottish Company.

No. 955 L/Cpl. A. A. Dand is transferred from the Engineer Company to the Lights Section Cadre, as from 9. 1. 29.

Leave

2/Lieut. R. K. Valentine, Car Section, from 13. 1. 29, to 20. 2. 29.

No. 1320 Cpl. G. R. Razavet, No. 2 Platoon sick leave, from 10. 12. 28 to 9. 6. 29.

No. 1352 Pte. S. M. West, No. 1 Platoon sick leave, from 5. 1. 29 to 5. 2. 29.

No. 725 L/Cpl. G. P. Lammett, No. 1 Platoon, sick leave, from 15. 11. 28 to 31. 5. 29.

Struck off the Strength

Having left the Colony, as from 27. 12. 28.

No. 1267 Gnr. I. E. L. Mackay, The Battery.

Having purchased discharge, as from 4.1.29.

No. 1141 Spr. A. W. Hay-Edie, Engineer Company.

Notice

No. 2 Platoon Rifles Club will hold their next meeting at the Peak Range on Sunday, Jan. 13, 1929 at 9.30 a.m. sharp and it is hoped there will be a large attendance.

TO-DAY'S RADIO

BROADCAST BY G.O.W.

ON 800 METRES

The public are notified that all wireless receiving licences issued during 1928 expired December 31, 1928.

Licences may be obtained at the licensing section of the Government Radio Office on the ground floor of the P. & O. Building in Des Voeux Road Central.

The licensing fee for the current year is five dollars.

Receiving licences are issued to any person regardless of nationality upon payment of the fee.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government radio station on the Peak, the wave-length being 800 metres. The call sign of the station is G.O.W.

5.30 to 6.00 p.m.—Demonstration Programme.

7.45 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8. p.m.—Evening Programme (H.M. & Victor Records).

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Sufficient time has elapsed to think about the interchange of gifts during the Festive Season. Has it ever struck you that there are some presents which will be appreciated, especially in other parts of the world? You are strongly recommended to hand in an address to the "Overland China Mail" — the only illustrated weekly news budget published in Hong Kong — for numbers to be sent for any period you like. The senders are assured of the approbation of those receiving the "Overland."

For years the "Overland," full of informative articles, "local" and "China" news, and topical pictures (supplied by the pioneer service in the Colony), has served as a strong link between Hong Kong and people elsewhere.

Concurrent with the simultaneous exposure of Communist activities in Hong Kong and in Canton, a special article has been included in the "Overland" dealing with the "Christian General," who is alleged in some quarters to be a Red still. The article also explains how Britain and other countries view the Soviet policy towards China, a policy portending dire results to the world if it were allowed to have effect.

RESIDENTS BACK FROM LEAVE

Many residents have just returned to Hong Kong after holidays at home and elsewhere. For the first few days one's conscience can be calmed by thoughts that time is needed to unpack and to get settled down again. Then that letter must go.

What you have to say for yourself no one else can write for you, but if you want to ease anxiety as to what is happening out here that is a task that the "Overland China Mail" will do for you as it has invariably done in the past.

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BEER

ALL-ENGLISH HIGH IN
FAVOUR

NORFOLK EXPERIMENT

It has at last been shown, after many years of prejudice, that British barley makes the best beer, writes a correspondent of "The Times" from Norwich. An experiment begun here in July in producing ale at the ordinary price from nothing but English malting barley, hops and sugar, has proved a great success, and was referred to by the Minister of Agriculture recently in the House of Commons. The change has been welcomed by the whole countryside and the brewers have been unable to meet the demand for this beer which, in general character and flavour, is similar to the old-fashioned English ale. An extension of the movement to use only English barley is expected in the Eastern Counties and farmers hope to feel the benefit.

This all-English beer is dark-coloured ale, very much like the home-brewed for which England was once famous. It is almost as dark as port wine and is said to be remarkable for the full aroma of the malt and hops which it gives. It is not stronger than the beer brewed from foreign malt, which it has superseded. The relation of tax to gravity renders that impossible without a rise of price. Its popularity was immediate, and while this is partly accounted for by the wide publicity which the brew was given as "all-English beer," there is ample proof that it has been a success on its own merits. It was not only a success with the agricultural workers, who might be supposed to have an economic interest in it, but it also attracted a large volume of custom at Yarmouth during the holidays and so established the approval of good judges from other districts.

Demand Exceeds Supply

The supplies sent to Yarmouth were very quickly sold out, and the demand for this beer labelled—"Manufactured only from British barley" was soon more than the brewery could supply. In the countryside the workers are delighted with it. Some of the older ones have talked about the hope of once more getting beer such as they used to get in their youth. A number of them have gone so far as to send appreciative letters to the brewery here.

Perhaps the best proof of its success is to be found in the decision of the brewers to extend the principle to other grades. Already they have adopted all-English barley for their stout, and for winter consumption they are now brewing the strong beer known as "Stingo" from English barley only. This firm, Messrs. Steward & Patterson is still producing the lighter-coloured beer, generally known as "bitter," which it cannot yet guarantee to be "all-English," but Mr. J. F. Wright, secretary of the Norfolk County branch of the National Farmers' Union, told me that the firm hopes before long to brew that too from English grain.

Triumph for Farmers

This success is a triumph for the Norfolk farmers, who for three years have been trying to break down the idea, firmly fixed in the minds of the brewers, that English barley could not be used for brewing beer. The price evidently is much less important than the quality, for in this case, foreign barley might have been bought by the brewers at much less than the English. Nevertheless, better beer at the same price has been offered to the public and has met with an overwhelming success. Gradually other brewers are coming round to the farmers' view. Another big firm of brewers here is using a great deal of English barley and is expected to absorb more next year. An important Ipswich brewery is rapidly approaching the stage at which it will be able to offer "all-English" beer to its customers.

The brewers have had two good crops for the start of this experiment. Last year's was fair; this year's is even better, so that the question of using the grain for beer when the crop is poor has not yet been faced. The farmers do not believe that this will prove a serious matter, and express the view that when the breweries have definitely changed over to the English product they will always be able to get satisfactory supplies. In Norwich they are in close touch with the brewers. They have inspected the brewery and satisfied themselves that the beer is "all-English," a certificate which the brewers were naturally glad to have. They have also recommended the brew to their members and others. They are hoping now for further developments, and they are determined to see that there shall be no use of the "all-English" label unless it is fully justified.

At the same time they are proud of their share in giving birth to England's first all-English beer.

MONEY AND SHARES

On London T.T. on London 2/6 1/4

Bank, Wire T.T. on Shanghai 78 1/2

Bank, on demand Banks

Bank, 30 days' sight Hong Kong Bank \$1350 b

Bank, 4 months' sight H.K. London Reg. \$148 1/2 b

Credits, 4 months' sight Chartered Bank 22 b

Documentary 4 months' sight Mercantile A. & B. 234 n

Bank, 1 month's sight Mercantile C. 214 n

Bank, 2/1 1/2 months' sight P. & O. Bank 204 n

Bank, 3 months' sight Bank of East Asia 287 b

Bank, 6 months' sight Insurances

Bank, 9 months' sight Canton Insurance \$677 1/2 b

Bank, 12 months' sight Union Insurance \$568 1/2 b

Bank, 18 months' sight North China Insurance T160 b

Bank, 24 months' sight Yangtze Insurance \$850 n

Bank, 30 months' sight China Underwriters \$240 s

Bank, 36 months' sight China Fire Insurance \$280 b

Bank, 42 months' sight Hong Kong Fire Insurance \$780 n

Bank, 48 months' sight Shipping

Bank, 54 months' sight Douglasses \$98 1/2 n

Bank, 60 months' sight H.K. Steamboats 29 s

Bank, 66 months' sight H.K. Tugs & Lighters \$140 n

Bank, 72 months' sight Indo-China (Pref.) \$50 b

Bank, 78 months' sight Indo-China (Def.) \$90 b

Bank, 84 months' sight Shell Transports 116 1/2 n

Bank, 90 months' sight Union Water-boats \$234 b

Bank, 96 months' sight Mining

Bank, 102 months' sight Benguet \$240 b

Bank, 108 months' sight Kailan Mining Ad. 70/- b

Bank, 114 months' sight Langkats (Combined) T10.60 n

Bank, 120 months' sight Langkats (Single) T5 1/2 n

Bank, 126 months' sight Shanghai Explorations T2.90 n

Bank, 132 months' sight Shanghai Loans T3 b

Bank, 138 months' sight Raubs \$53 n

Bank, 144 months' sight Tronch Mines 17/6 n

Bank, 150 months' sight Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

Bank, 156 months' sight H.K. & K. Wharves \$134 n

Bank, 162 months' sight H.K. & W. Docks \$40 b

Bank, 168 months' sight China Providents \$5.30 b

Bank, 174 months' sight Hongkews T162 b

Bank, 180 months' sight New Engineering T5 1/2 n

Bank, 186 months' sight Shanghai Docks T196 n

Bank, 192 months' sight Cotton Mills

Bank, 198 months' sight Ewo Cottons T13.20 b & sa

Bank, 204 months' sight Oriental Cottons T21 1/2 s

Bank, 210 months' sight Shanghai Cottons (Old) T65 1/2 b

Bank, 216 months' sight Shanghai Cottons (New) T32 1/2 b

Bank, 222 months' sight Lands, Hotels & Buildings

Bank, 228 months' sight H.K. & S. Hotels \$9.35 s

Bank, 234 months' sight Hong Kong Lands \$641 b

Bank, 240 months' sight Shanghai Lands T165 b

Bank, 246 months' sight Humphreys' Estates \$14.80 b

Bank, 252 months' sight Hong Kong Realities \$8.20 b & 8.45 n

Bank, 258 months' sight H.K. Territorials

Bank, 264 months' sight Prince's Buildings

Bank, 270 months' sight Public Utilities

Bank, 276 months' sight H.K. Tramways \$20 1/2 n

Bank, 282 months' sight Peak Trams (old) \$13 s

Bank, 288 months' sight Peak Trams (new) \$6.80 n

Bank, 294 months' sight Star Ferries \$73 1/2 n

Bank, 300 months' sight China Lights (comb.)

Bank, 306 months' sight China Lights (old) \$12.40 sa

Bank, 312 months' sight China Lights (new)

Bank, 318 months' sight H.K. Etrics (old) \$53 1/2 b

Bank, 324 months' sight [63 1/2/64 1/2] sa

Bank, 330 months' sight Electric (new) \$52 1/2 n

Bank, 336 months' sight Macao Electrics \$26 1/2 b

Bank, 342 months' sight H.K. Telephone \$7 b old

Bank, 348 months' sight [6.90 b new]

Bank, 354 months' sight China Buses \$11.14 b

Bank, 360 months' sight Singapore Tractions 12 1/2 n

Bank, 366 months' sight Singapore Pref. 17/6 b 18/3 s

Bank, 372 months' sight Sandakan Lts. \$5 n

Bank, 378 months' sight Industrials

Bank, 384 months' sight China Sugars 80 cts n

Bank, 390 months' sight Malabon Sugars \$23 1/2 b

Bank, 396 months' sight Canton Ices \$32 n

Bank, 402 months' sight Cements (comb.) \$10.35 s

Bank, 408 months' sight [10.05/10 sa]

Bank, 414 months' sight Cements (old) \$7.80 n

Bank, 420 months' sight Cements (new) \$11 1/2 b

Bank, 426 months' sight Hong Kong Ropes (old) \$7.60 n

Bank, 432 months' sight Hong Kong Ropes (new) \$7.85 n

Bank, 438 months' sight United Asbestos \$5 n

Bank, 444 months' sight . .

SOCCER

The Shield Competitions Open

FINE LEAGUE PROGRAMME

Value Of The Interport Trial

[By "Rover."]

Hong Kong Shield Competition

(Kick-off 2.30 p.m.)

Royal Navy v. 2nd K.O.S.B. Regt., Caroline Hill—referee, Mr. Hollands.

(Kick-off 4.00 p.m.)

Club Recreio v. Hong Kong Club, King's Park—referee, Capt. Austin, R.A.

Hong Kong League, Division I—kick-off 4.00 p.m.

Queen's Regt. v. Kowloon, Kowloon ground—referee, L.S.B.A. Atkinson.

Small Units v. Chinese Athletic, Sookumpoo—referee, C.P.O. Cowan.

Police v. South China, Caroline Hill—referee, Mr. Smith.

Hong Kong Junior Shield Competition—kick-off 2.30 p.m.

R.A. v. South China B, Sookumpoo—referee, Pte. Farnsworth.

Chinese Ath. B. v. Recreio, Chinese ground — referee, L/C. Grieve.

South China A. v. Queen's Regt., Navy ground, Happy Valley — referee, Mr. Lawrence.

Chinese Ath. A. v. K.O.S.B. Regt., Club ground — referee, C.P.L. Shad.

Police v. Kowloon, St. Joseph's ground—referee, Mr. Ip Kau-ko. The Hong Kong Shield Competition commences to-morrow, there being two fine matches in the Senior Division, one at King's Park and one at Caroline Hill. There are in addition three Senior League matches and five Junior Division Shield matches, all grounds on both sides of the Harbour being occupied.

At King's Park the meeting of the Club and Recreio should provide a splendid struggle. Both Clubs are at their strongest, and will field several players who have been wisely saving themselves for the Shield. King's Park is on the small side and good forwards have not the chances here as on other grounds. A great match this should prove, and the advantage of ground should just weigh in in Recreio's favour, whom I expect to see win if Goldman is subdued.

The meeting of Royal Navy and K.O.S.B. Regiment should also provide a stern struggle as the "Borderers" are strong Shield fighters, and Royal Navy, the surprise team of the Competition, may be on one of their bright days as on Saturday last, when they scored a meritorious win over the Queen's Regt. at Chatham-road. Navy on Saturday are fielding a very useful side and this game may go the whole course without result, but Navy are just good enough to win on form as the Regiment have shown a slight falling off recently.

The meeting of South China and Police at Caroline Hill is the big match of the day. Police are going strong, their recent performances being noteworthy, they having defeated Queen's Regt., R.A., and Navy in successive matches while South China is still hanging on gamely to an unbroken record. The Police who are strong throughout will thoroughly test the locals who will need to play better than they did on Saturday last against the Club. It should be a most exciting match, with two teams of widely differing styles, but I think South China's speed will be a big factor and if they pick up their chances (a big if), they should retain their fine record to date.

Small Units do not appear to have much chance against the smart Athletic, although the latter are not fielding their topweight these days. Capable reserves are being tried out and have done well and I think the Athletic with several reserves will still get the points with a bit in hand. Small Units are, however, to be commanded for sticking it and can console themselves over their lowly position with the fact that they still come up smiling weekly which is a tribute to their sportsmanship all round.

The Queen's Regt. v. Kowloon match by arrangement is being played on the Kowloon A.F.C. ground and, Kowloon spectators should have a good afternoon's sport. Queen's have struck a poor patch lately and have gone down three important League matches by the bare margin of a goal.

to beat an ordinary club side much more decisively on play than Wednesday's side did even if they don't score a lot of goals. On Wednesday Navy were slightly unlucky to lose and might easily have won, so the sooner the real Interport side get together and show what they can do with our best Club side or sides the better. The selection of Rocha out of position also is to be deprecated, as fine player though Rocha is an inside left, why persevere in this direction when we have already wingers of better ability.

The Interport team should be the considered best men in their own positions. It is not for an International Committee to start ringing changes which Clubs would not dare do. However, this is a matter of opinion and the changing of Gosano to inside right is absolutely necessary probably to allow both Goldman and him in the team; and there's not a lot in an inside forward changing to inside anywhere, but a winger is distinctly a different class of player to an inside. We will not get the best team out if this policy is continued.

Football enthusiasts will regret the impending departure of the Queen's Regiment whose stay in the Colony has been marked with high sportsmanship on the Football Field and Sports' Field generally, and Hong Kong is losing one of the smartest regiments of the new smart British Army.

Teams For To-morrow
Club de Recreio v. Hong Kong Club, Hong Kong Shield.

Hong Kong F.C.:—Edwards, Holt, Bishop; Wallington, Stewart, McBride; Watson, Alexander, Goldman, Scott, Tramitzky.

Reserve: Reid.

Club Recreio: Beltrao, Silvano, Xavier; C. Remedios, A. Remedios, Souza; B. Gosano, Ward, A. Gosano, Rocha, Brown.

Queen's Regt. v. Kowloon, Hong Kong League 1st Division.

Kowloon: Angus; Guest, Pile; Hedley, Easterbrook, Robson; Hannan or Clemo, Davis, Spary, Miles, Baldwin.

Royal Navy v. K.O.S.B. Regt., Hong Kong Shield.

Royal Navy: Brockman ("Titania"); Carey ("Hermes"), Baker ("Titania"); Cope ("Tamar"), Perks ("Berwick"), Evans ("Iroquois"); Van Tromp ("Hermes"), Firth ("Hermes"), Evans ("Bruce"), Kernick ("Titania"), Preston ("Petersfield").

South China v. Police, Hong Kong League 1st Division.

South China: Pau Ka-ping; Li Tin-sang, Yu Chuk-wa, Leung Wing-tuk, Pang Wa-hing, Leung Wing-chiu; Li Tin-choy, Pau Ka-chuen, Fung King-cheung, Lau Mau, Ip Pak-wa.

BILLIARDS

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. beat the European "Y" at billiards of 294 points. Scores:—

Y.M.C.A.
E. R. Fonsford 200
W. R. Hillier 103
W. Taylor 188
W. Fogwill 183
C. Pile 125
T. J. Richards 185

Total 854
Chinese Y.M.C.A.
Kwok Siu-cheung 148
Yeung Pak-nin 200
Yick Tat-tung 200
Leung Kah-chan 200
Lo Hau-kan 200
T. C. Cheah 200

Total 1,148
Breaks: Kwok Siu-cheung 40;
Fonsford 28.

LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB

There will be a game at King's Park on the Hong Kong Hockey Club ground on Saturday, January 12, 1929, at 3 p.m.

If the inaccessibility of Twickenham keeps away the spectators, those of us who love the game for its own sake will endure our discomforts all the more happily.—H. P. Marshall.

GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

AT FANLING

8.44 a.m.	F. A. Merry, C. E. Holmes
8.52 "	E. D. Matthews, A. T. Lay
9.00 "	A. E. Wood, E. W. Hamilton
9.08 "	T. Ramsey, S. Berg, A. E. Liessaman, K. S. Robertson
9.24 "	C. Mycock, J. P. Sherry
9.28 "	C. E. Riggs, J. Thayer
9.36 "	C. B. Johnson, H. F. Bloxham
9.40 "	E. R. Hallifax, J. Cameron
9.44 "	E. L. Sim, F. A. Perry
9.48 "	E. M. Bryden, W. D. Browne
9.52 "	G. W. Reeves, B. H. C. Hallows
9.56 "	O. E. C. Marton, I. W. Shawan
10.00 "	E. P. Fletcher, D. M. Goodall
10.04 "	A. D. Humphreys, L. G. S. Dodwell
10.08 "	A. B. Stewart, J. H. Railles
10.12 "	H. H. Lennox, W. J. Clerk
10.16 "	A. W. Hodges, C. J. Waddell
10.20 "	A. G. Coplin, S. S. Perry
10.24 "	C. W. Jeffries, J. Coulthart
10.28 "	G. Gimble, C. Thwaites
10.32 "	A. Ritchie, A. Ritchie, K. E. Greig, L. Yates
10.36 "	B. D. F. Beith, E. D. Black
10.40 "	W. D. Fiddes-Wilson, R. A. Green
10.44 "	A. H. Ferguson, R. M. McLay
10.48 "	I. H. Geare, G. Smith, W. B. Cornaby, M. G. Mills
11.00 "	H. W. Moon, W. Boyeridge
11.04 "	D. Forbes, D. J. Gilmore
11.08 "	E. Des Voeux, R. Greensmith
11.12 "	T. L. Christie, H. U. Ireland
11.16 "	S. T. Butlin, A. Leach, N. V. Croucher, L. R. Andrews
11.20 "	L. M. S. Lloyd, A. C. I. Bowker
11.24 "	A. B. Purkes, N. K. Littlejohn
11.28 "	G. Towns, G. E. Mitchell
11.32 "	E. Stone, H. F. Sommers
11.36 "	R. Young, E. D. Lawrence
11.40 "	F. Lobel, H. A. Mills, H. G. Howard, J. Gardner
11.44 "	B. J. Lacon, E. Kern, J. P. Warren, F. Syme
11.48 "	T. A. Martin, W. Clerk

STEEPLECHASING

FANLING HUNT NEW YEAR MEETING

CHANGE OF ORDER OF RACES

The order of races for the Fanling Hunt's New Year steeplechase meeting, at Kwanti, on Saturday week, January 19, has been changed. Entries (and weights in the handicaps, others being weight for inches with penalties and allowances) are as follows:

January Plate (1½ miles)
Aristophanes, Blotting Paper, Cavriare, Craignavad, Durham, Loch Rannoch, My Lady, Old Man River, Skipper, Solitaire.

New Year Maiden (1 mile)
Bay Rum, Boukra, Chicot, Chokra, Fire Call, Grey Mist, Knave of Diamonds, May, Movanganher, Newfoundland, Pekin, Sea Hawk, Sheila, Tamerlan, Target, Wowsa.

Winter Handicap (1½ miles)
My Lady (168 lbs.), Cavriare (158 lbs.), Borderer (155 lbs.), Blotting Paper (155 lbs.), Loch Rannoch (152 lbs.), Little River (150 lbs.), Pekin (150 lbs.), Tap Sia (150 lbs.), Slang River (150 lbs.).

Grand Military Cup (2½ miles)
Ace of Spades, As You Like It, Cumberland, Dumbell, Grey Eyes, Honeymoon, James Pigg, Klangsu, Little River, Tommy.

"Good Resolution" Stakes (1 round)
Ace of Spades, Aristophanes, As You Like It, Bay Rum, Blotting Paper, Borderer, Boukra, Cavriare, Chicot, Chokra, Craignavad, Cumberland, Dumbell, Durham, Fire Call, Grey Eyes, Grey Mist, Honeymoon, James Pigg, Klangsu, Knave of Diamonds, Little River, Loch Rannoch, May, Movanganher, Newfoundland, Old Man River, Pekin, Sea Hawk, Sheila, Slang River, Skipper, Social Call, Solitaire, Tamerlan, Tap Sia, Target, Tarzan, Tommy, Wowsa.

SCHNEIDER CUP

DETAILS OF THE RACE

London Yesterday. This year's international seaplane contest for the Schneider trophy, which was won last year by Great Britain, has been fixed to take place on September 6 and 7 over the Solent. The first day will be devoted to tests of navigability and seaworthiness.

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Tallulah Bankhead



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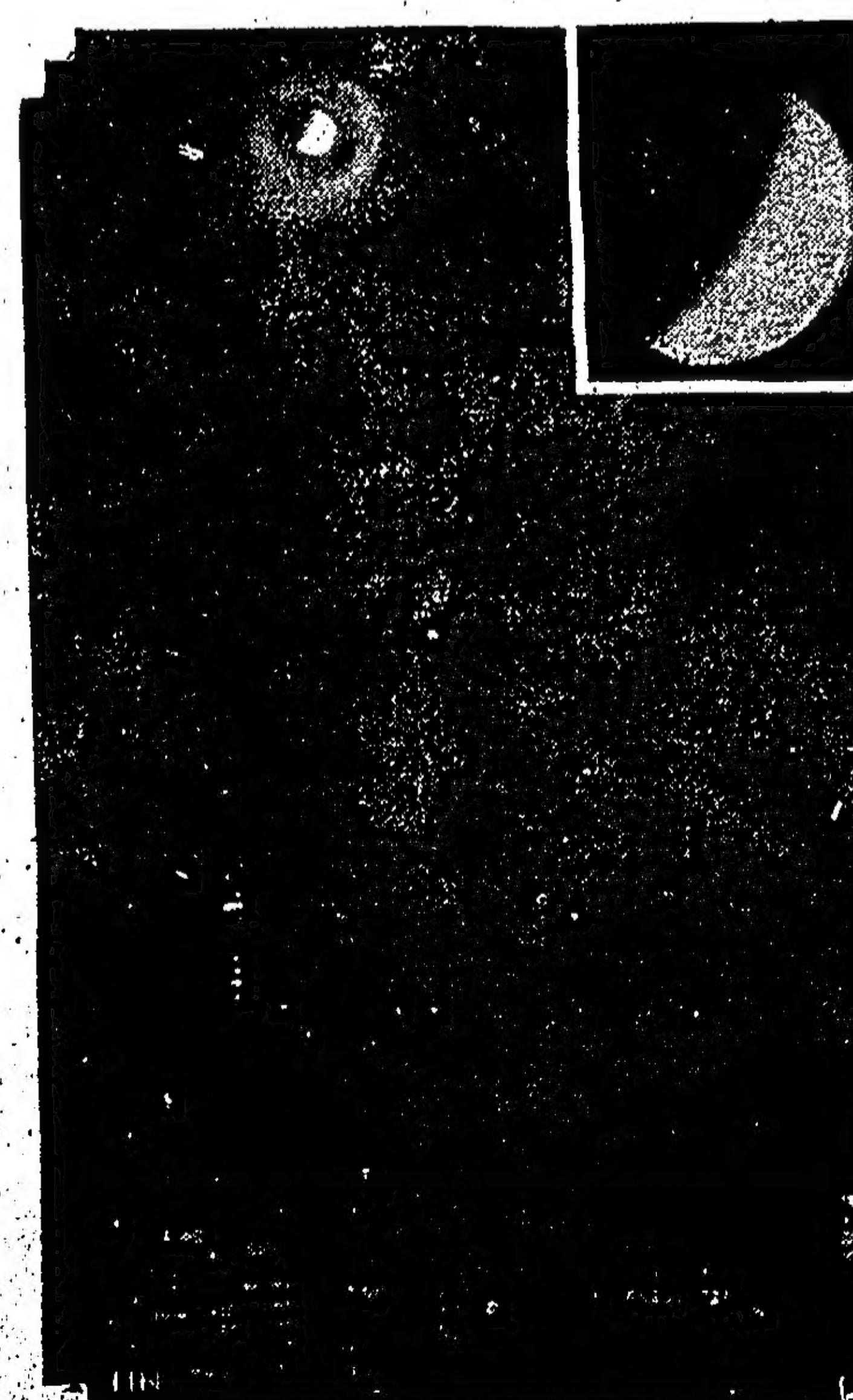


Swedish Prince's Bride



Miss Estelle Manville, an American Girl, who has become the bride of Count Folke Bernadotte, son of Prince Oscar of Sweden. Photo shows the happy couple shortly after their engagement was announced.

The Moon in an Unusual Mood



Here are two remarkable photos of the moon's eclipse as the phenomenon was seen in New York. Maynes Mayo, a French war nurse, awaited trial for the alleged murder of her husband, Andrew de Vol. Her defense was that she was a veteran of World War I.

Now Friends



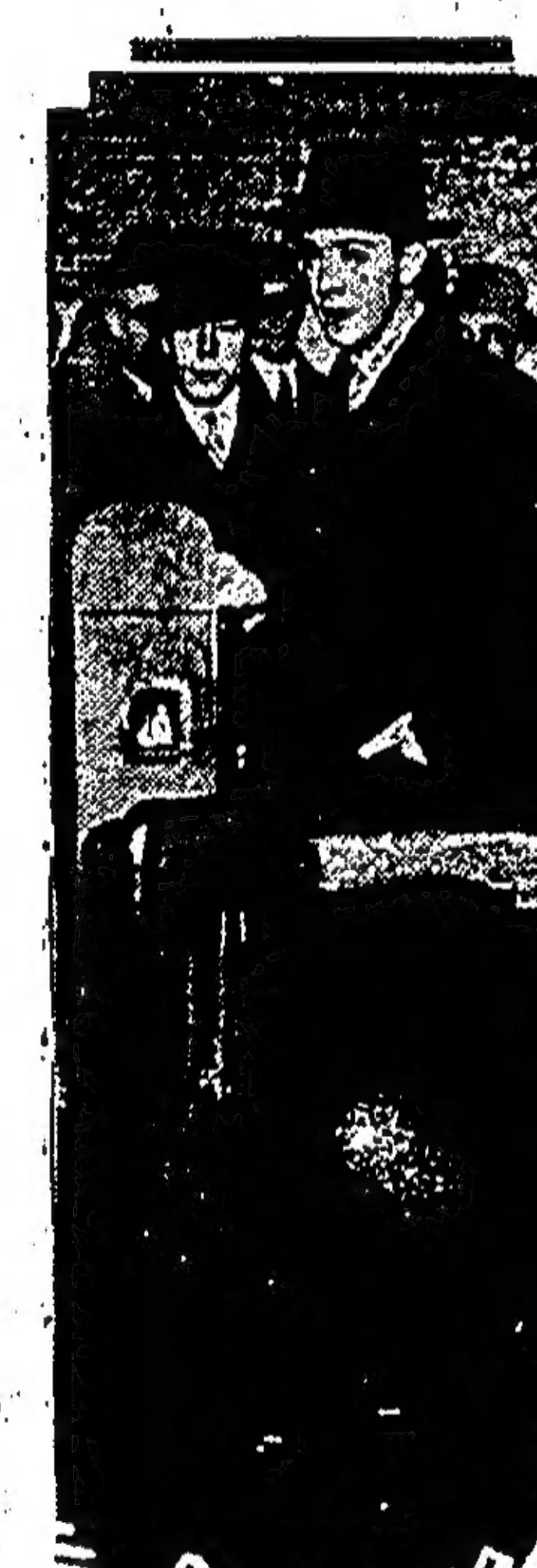
Captain Rene Fonck (left), the greatest living French war ace, and Captain Ernst Udet, a German with 62 Allied planes to his credit, once engaged in personal combats high above the battle lines in France. They met when Fonck was invited to Berlin in connection with holding of the Pan-German Aviation Show and exchanged reminiscences.

4,600-Miles Flight



Lieut. Benjamin Mendez, ace of the Colombian air service, who planned a 4,600 miles flight. His plane is a Curtiss Falcon which he has named the "Ricarito" after the famous Colombian patriot.

Swedish Princes

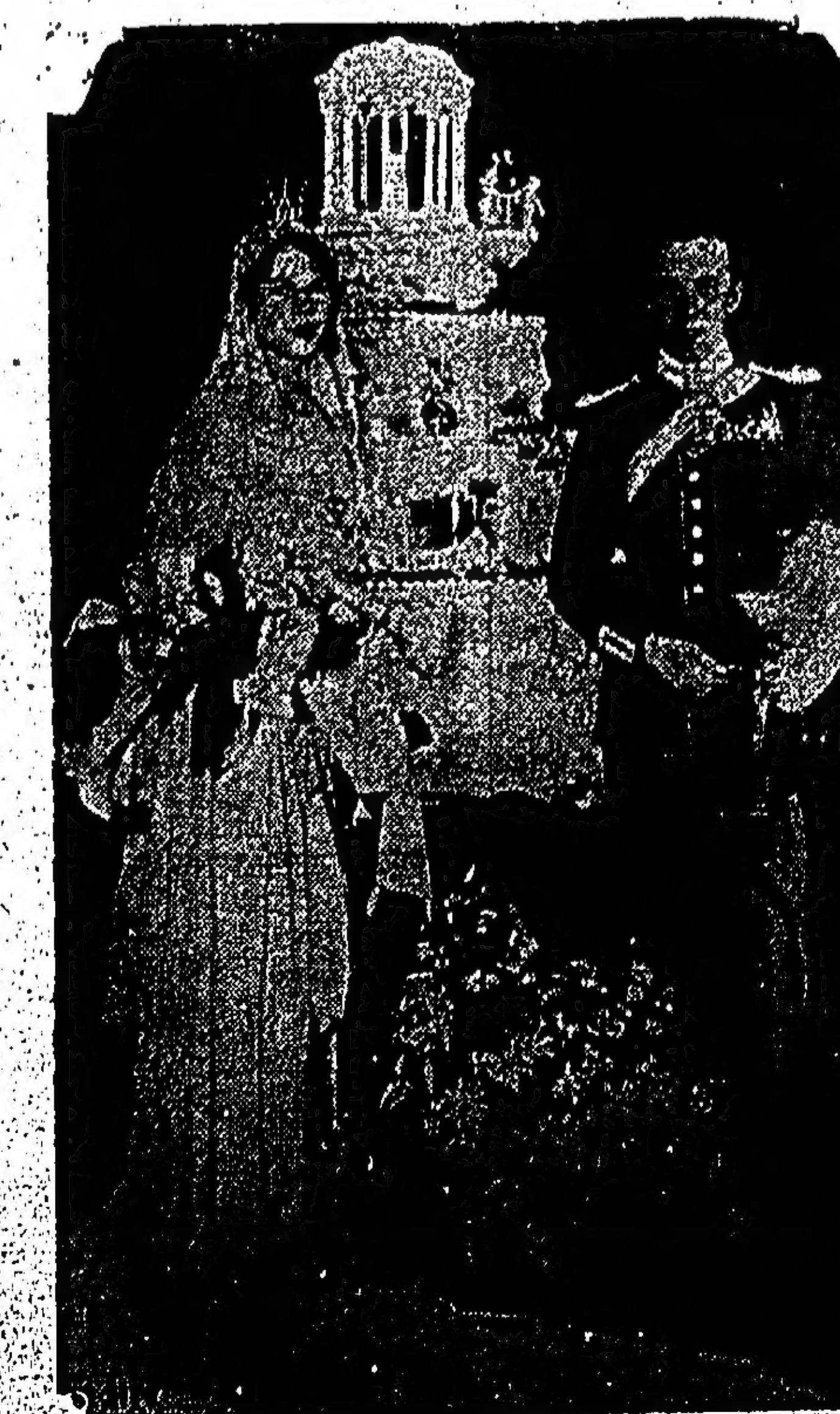


Gustavus Adolphus, Crown Prince of Sweden (right), and his brother, Prince Sigvard.

French War Nurse



Behind the bars of a prison in New York, Maynes Mayo, a French war nurse, awaited trial for the alleged murder of her husband, Andrew de Vol. Her defense was that she was a veteran of World War I.



Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden and his Cousin, formerly Miss Estelle Manville, daughter of the "Alabamas King," following the marriage at Pleasantville, N.Y. Behind the happy couple is their home, a large residence.

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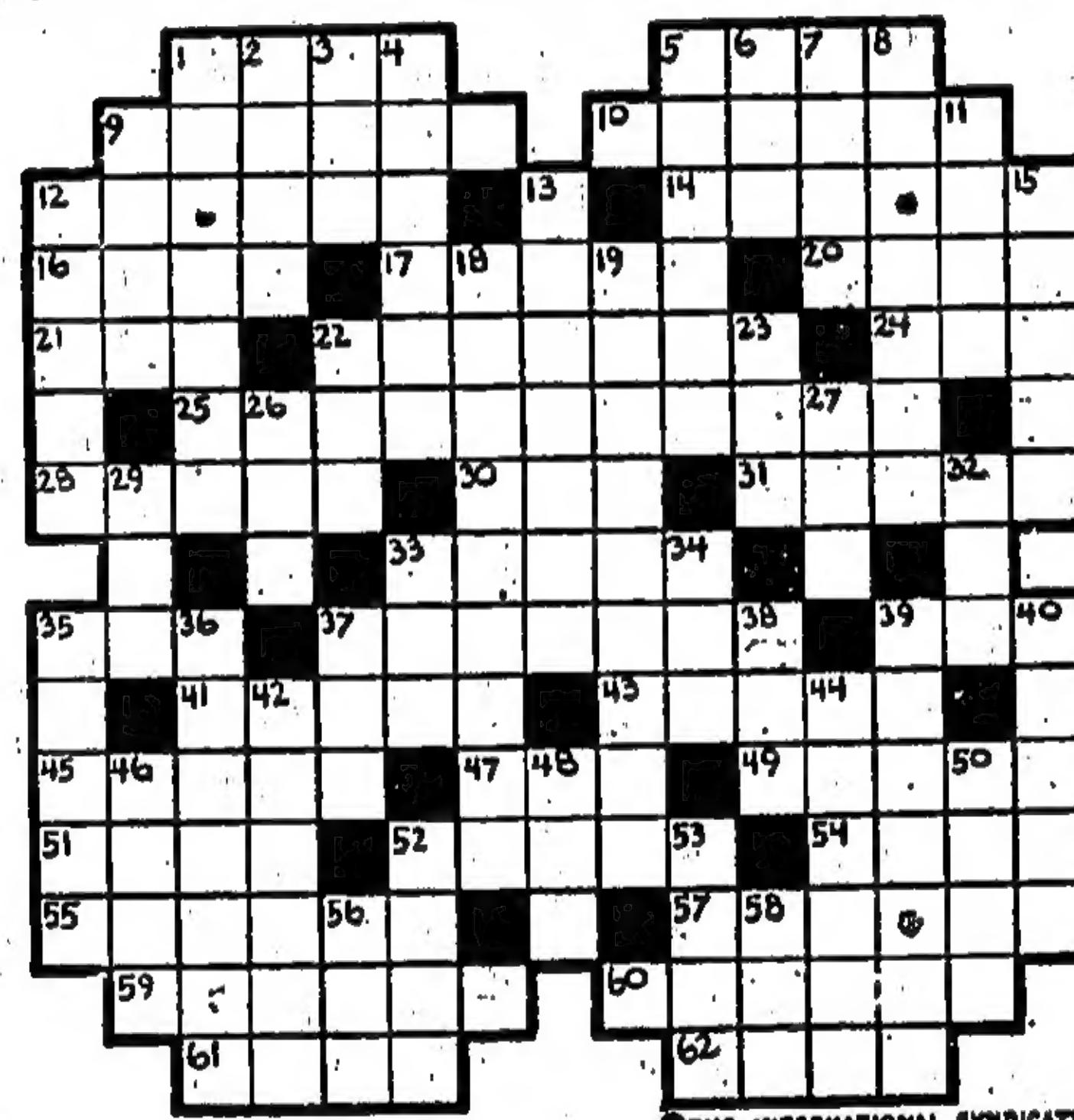
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plur., and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL
1-Member of one of the Slavonic groups of people
2-Beyond
3-Youngster (coll.)
10-In the teeth with difficulty
12-Gather up
14-British river
16-Eager
17-Short interval
20-Spawn of the cyster
21-Perfect object
22-Common garden berry
24-Termination of adjectives
25-Young attorneys
28-Administrated something nauseous
30-Appoint
31-A liquid
33-Contradict
35-Existed
37-Critics
39-Apex
41-Rouge
43-Whimsy
47-Fest before a Saint's Day
48-Jeopardy

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
51-Squares of glass
52-Thin wire nails
54-Fashion
55-Evil doer
56-Intransitive
58-Anterior portion of the eyeball
59-Well acquainted with books
62-That which is present

VERTICAL
1-Small crustacean (pl.)
2-On shore
3-Hill
4-Legal term meaning against
5-Apparent
6-Tree
7-Mineral springs
8-Hurricane
9-By
11-President of college faculty
13-Blurred
15-Bundles
16-To direct one's course

VERTICAL (Cont.)
18-One who offers
19-Warned
20-Fish
22-Oval part of flax
23-Kite
27-Grid
28-River in Russia
29-Set
33-Man's name (short)
34-Before
35-Stinging insect (pl.)
36-Wrench
37-French abbreviation for "Company"
38-Drop into the mouth
39-Monstrous chair (pl.)
40-Sticks
42-Means of approach
44-Constellation, the Twins
45-Front of an army
50-Abstract principle
52-Trained
53-Native of Scotland
54-Greek letter
55-Title of Prince of Wales (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

MANSE	P	GORG
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ARDITY		
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SOME MEMORIES

[By Leonard Sickert] I have been reading a life of Stockhausen, written by his daughter, Frau Wirth. Although, perhaps, too long, there are many interesting letters in it, and also many interesting opinions about singing, and music in general by Stockhausen himself. It is not, perhaps, generally known that he was probably the first artist to sing the songs of Schubert and Schumann in England; and, indeed, throughout his life he remained the acknowledged authority as an interpreter of the classical German songs.

But saying that a man is the greatest song singer of his time, bearing in mind the kind of songs in question, is tantamount to saying that he must have been one of the greatest singers of his age; for as Max Muller remarks in his preface to the Peters' edition of the Schubert songs: "What Schubert calls a song cycle becomes (in his hands) a complete tragic opera, and as an etching often reaches greater heights than an oil painting, so anyone who has shared with me the privilege of hearing Jenny Lind sing the Schone Müllerin, or Stock-

hausen's great and rare advantage in being bilingual. He was born in Paris, and spent the whole of his youth in France. Speaking about the difference between the French and German point of view in art, he says: "You (the French) have more patience, more perseverance in teaching the arts. You carry it to a greater perfection. We don't always do this in Germany. We have beauti-

celebration of his 100th birthday wrote condoling with him that his (Stockhausen's) age and infirmities prevented him from taking part in the centenary celebrations!

Levi and Brahms

There are also some very interesting letters from Hermann Levi complaining about what he calls Brahms's naivete about declamation. He gives as an example, among others, the famous song, "Wie bist du meine Königin," where the accent is false throughout. He complains that in Brahms's songs the words and the music never melt together into complete unity, but that it is as if the melodies had been completed first, and then the words written afterwards with difficulty. He goes on to say that he had often told Brahms about this failing, and that for the most part he did not seem to understand what it was about.

Levi puts this failing down to the fact that Brahms had much more instinct for melody and counterpoint than he had for rhythm, and asks Stockhausen to confess that there is a great rhythmical monotony in Brahms's work. Evidently he had tried to defend Brahms, but Levi would not have it.

In conclusion I will say that this book would prove of great interest to singers and musicians generally in England.

Billie Dove



The film star, who recently visited Paris.

Poet's Ideal



Dolores Del Rio, the motion picture actress, whom Karl Vollmoeller, author of the allegorical pageant, "The Miracle," pronounces "the most beautiful woman living."

haugen the Winterreise, must have felt himself more deeply moved than by the most blinding and enchanting stage productions of the present day."

Here is another contemporary appreciation of Stockhausen's singing, written by Julius Wolff in the National Zeitung: "There breathes throughout his singing a sensuously ideal poetry, a golden romance, that cannot be learned, nor described, but can only be felt."

Stockhausen himself was rather puzzled by this sort of praise. He used to say that he did not understand what all the fuss was about—that he only sang the songs with the right musical feeling and the just expression of the words. Yes, that was all, no doubt, but it was also everything!

I had the privilege of studying two years with him, and my recollection of his singing is one of extreme simplicity, what one might perhaps call "squareness." He never exaggerated a point in order to get an effect, but managed to produce a wonderful feeling, a unity between the words and the music. This quality is very rare and very difficult to analyse; it is rare, especially among modern singers. Henschel, it is true, did to some extent have this gift; but after all, if you got him away from his exquisite accompanying, he bore no comparison to Stockhausen as a singer. He was always the fine, musical player over the songs, and giving you an idea, and often a very fine idea, of how they ought to go; but Stockhausen taught you to a very finished performance vocally."

Garcia, who was not given to overpraising his pupils, told Stockhausen when he was quite a young man that he had but one fault in his vocalizing, which was that when he sang "softly" he meant "limply," that the tone was too soft in quality because the breath was not sufficiently sustained or supported by the diaphragm.

It is amusing to hear that at the age of 3 Stockhausen sang "Di tanti palpit" to no less a person than Mme. Catalani—that he was in Paris during the '48 revolution and heard Lablache sing the "Marseillaise" at the Opera House. He notes with admiration the astounding D which the great bass gave out in the refrain "Aux armes citoyens, formez vos bataillons!" Whimsical, too, is the letter from Garcia, who on the

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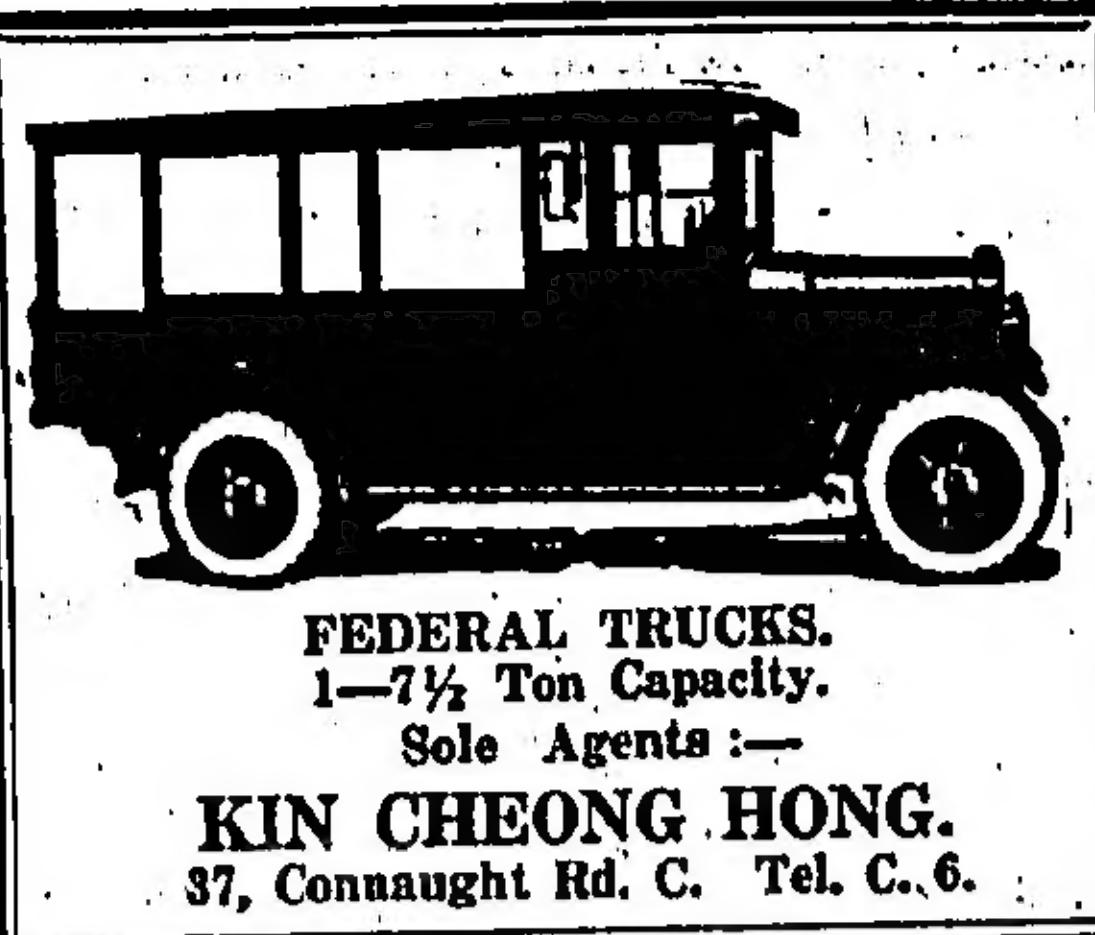
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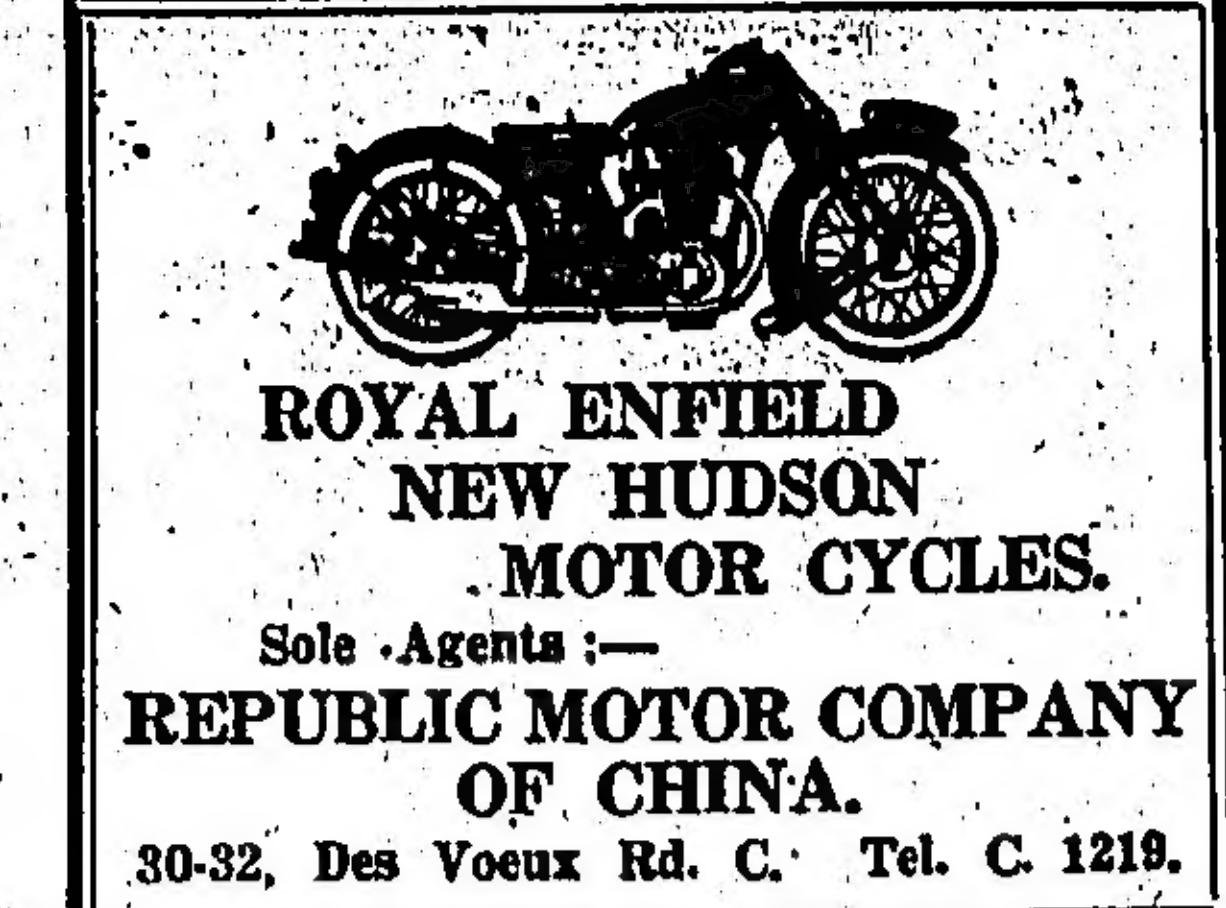
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WOMAN ACCOMPLICE

The cleverest forger in the criminal history of South Africa has been sent to prison for five years at the Rand Criminal Sessions.

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He was found guilty of forging seventeen cheques, seven applications for cheque books and one for the return of used cheques on city banks. The woman with whom he lived was convicted on one count of uttering a forged implement and of the theft of a cheque. On this latter charge Liebetroux was also found guilty.

"You are a clever forger, and from the evidence it is clear that for the last four months you were a professional forger," said Mr. Justice Tindall to Liebetroux. "You are a danger to the community, and the only thing to do to you is to send you away for a long period. The sentence is five years' hard labour."

The woman was sentenced to six months' hard labour. The jury had stated that they considered her Liebetroux's tool, and the judge said that he took that into consideration. She smiled broadly when sentence was passed. The jury found her not guilty of the other twenty-eight counts of forgery and uttering on which she was jointly charged with Liebetroux.

WHAT WAS FOUND

MUNITIONS IN A PASSENGER'S LUGGAGE

LENIENT SENTENCE

A Chinese passenger from America, who was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with being in possession of two Luger pistols, one revolver, seven magazines and 300 rounds of ammunition was convicted and a fine of \$1,000 or 18 months' hard labour in default, was imposed.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton and Major C. Wilson sat together to hear the case.

Detective Sub-Inspector Dorling said that at 7 p.m. on December 31 the "President Taft" arrived and berthed at No. 5 wharf, Kowloon Garden. The two wooden boxes, which the defendant claimed to be his, were opened in the presence of the defendant. The weapons were concealed in the sides of the boxes

PRISON FOR LODGE OFFICIAL

AN EX-OFFICER

ODDFELLOW EXECUTIVE GETS 12 MONTHS

FORGERY PROVED

After having had his trial postponed to allow him to attend the funeral of his child, Douglas Griffiths (33), pleaded "Guilty" at Lewes Assizes to charges of forgery as an officer of the Royal Adelaide Lodge of Oddfellows at Hastings, and was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour.

It was alleged that Griffiths drew cheques amounting to \$170 for dental benefits which were never given. Accused, it was stated, had been a lieutenant in the Army. He was convicted at Market Harbour of stealing money while employed at the Ministry of Labour, and of embezzlement in the Congo, in consequence of which he was removed from the Army.

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AFGHANISTAN

SPLENDID WORK BY THE AIR FORCE

THE FIGHTING

New Delhi, Yesterday. It is announced that the Royal Air Force has evacuated altogether 132 persons by air from Kabul. An aeroplane yesterday flew from Peshawar to Kabul and back with mails as all telegraphs to Afghanistan have been cut. Permission has been given for a weekly air mail service from India to Kabul.

No further news has been received of the fighting in Afghanistan except that the rebels appear to retain the superior position in the attack near Kabul.—Reuter.

AN ACCESSORY

WOMAN FINED \$500 OR SIX MONTHS

POSSESSION OF MUNITIONS

The result of a raid, made at No. 44, Nam Chong-street on Dec. 27, led to the appearance of a woman at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of being in possession of two revolvers and ten rounds of ammunition.

After evidence was given by Detective Sergeant O'Donovan, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, the magistrate, said that the woman was no doubt an accessory before the fact, but not the principal. Under those circumstances he would fine her \$50 or six months' imprisonment in default.

and so were some dum dum bullets. In passing sentence, Mr. Hamilton said that the Court regarded the case as serious, but in view of his age and his apparent ill-health they were inclined to take a lenient view. The defendant was therefore given the option of a fine.

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The jewels were despatched by Messrs. Harry Morser and Co., of Hatton-square.

A member of the firm told a newspaper representative that the stones were sent off by registered post, packed in the usual cardboard box with wadding.

"They did not arrive in time, and beyond that we do not know what happened," he added.

It is understood that the substitution was found out in Tunis, the theft being immediately notified to Messrs. Morser, who informed the postal authorities and Scotland Yard.

The authorities are convinced that the exchange was effected in Paris. It is certain that the stones were sent off this country intact.

Mr. Morser himself is at present in Paris inquiring into the loss, and inquiries are also being pursued by insurance companies both in London and France.

The substitution by expert thieves of coal for diamonds has been frequently carried out.

MORE SERIOUS

ANTI-JAPANESE FEELING AT HANKOW

AGITATION INCREASES

Hankow, Yesterday. The anti-Japanese situation is growing more serious. Following the reported beating up by Japanese Marines of one of the Chinese distributors of leaflets arrested yesterday, (alleged to be the brother of the coolie killed by the Japanese naval cyclist patrol), officials of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and of the Japanese Consulate have been continually in conference with regard to the situation.

Meanwhile, the anti-Japanese agitation is increasing. The mob seems to be working up to a frenzy and some of the Chinese servants and office workers employed by Japanese have ceased work but the majority are standing fast.

All the Chinese wharf coolies employed by Japanese firms are on strike.—Reuter.

LADY MISSIONARY

MISS GERTRUDE HOWE, PASSES AWAY

FIFTY-SIX YEARS' WORK

Nanchang, Ki, Dec. 29. Miss Gertrude Howe, for 56 years a missionary in the Yangtze Valley, passed peacefully away at the home of Dr. Ida Kahn, her adopted daughter, about seven o'clock this morning. On the 26th she had been taken with a fainting spell, but apparently was recovering, and the end came quite unexpectedly. A service was held this afternoon in the Women's and Children's Hospital Chapel, but arrangements for burial have not been made and the regular funeral service will not be held until then.

This afternoon's service, entirely in Chinese, was very simple and very impressive. The Chinese coffin was placed in the centre of the platform, and at the back of the platform, on either side at the foot of the coffin, in their mourning dress of white sackcloth, knelt her adopted daughters, Dr. Ida Kahn and Mrs. Julia Cheng. There were no flowers, but wreaths of evergreen were placed about the coffin and in the windows. The service of song and prayer was led by the Rev. S. C. Wang, who also paid tribute to her record of remarkable accomplishment. In her more than half century of service, in spite of the fact that no public notice of the service has been made, the hall was crowded with foreign and Chinese friends.

Her residence in Nanchang, Miss Howe's first home, was a kindergarten teacher at Nanking. The first wife of the Rev. Teal Jen-kuo, of Ki, died in 1904, and he married Miss Howe in 1905. They had three children: a son, Dr. David Kahn, now a medical student in Nanking, and two daughters, Dr. Ida Kahn and Mrs. Julia Cheng.

Miss Howe was born in 1868. Her home was in Lansing, Michigan, where she was born. She studied at the University of Michigan and graduated in 1890. After graduation, she taught school in Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio, and then moved to Nanking, China, in 1895.

In 1900, she married Dr. Teal Jen-kuo, a Chinese physician, and they had three children: a son, Dr. David Kahn, and two daughters, Dr. Ida Kahn and Mrs. Julia Cheng.

Dr. David Kahn is now a medical student in Nanking, China. Dr. Ida Kahn and Mrs. Julia Cheng are both married and have families of their own.

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